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## **Suspects Arrested In Package Thefts**

On Wednesday March 6, 2013 a routine traffic stop was made by a Beaverton Police Officer on a vehicle displaying an expired vehicle license plate. The driver and passenger were both suspects in a string of package thefts, ID thefts and fraud investigations in Beaverton and Washington County dating back to 2012.

The driver was identified as Gina Lunetta 40 years old of Milwaukie and the passenger was Vyacheslav "Stan" Malik 29 years old of Milwaukie.

Lunetta and Malik were both arrested and lodged at the Washington County Jail on theft charges, with potentially more charges pending.

This investigation began with the theft of two packages from a Beaverton residence on January 15, 2013. The packages had been delivered by UPS and had been stolen from the porch of this residence. The packages contained optometry items and had a value of approximately \$2,050.00. One of the items had been located on eBay and the serial number matched that of the stolen item.

Beaverton Detectives began to investigate this theft and identified the subject who had listed the optometry item on eBay. This subject was contacted on January 24, 2013 by Detectives and approximately \$4,000.00 of stolen property was recovered to include the optometry items stolen on January 15, 2013. At this time Lunetta and Malik were identified as the subjects who provided the stolen items to be sold on eBay.

The investigation into these thefts continued and a search warrant was obtained for a motel room occupied by Lunetta and Malik. The search warrant was served at the Kings Row Inn located in Milwaukie, Oregon by Beaverton and Washington County Detectives on February 7, 2013. A large number of items that are suspected to be stolen from Beaverton and Washington County were recovered from this motel room. Lunetta and Malik were not in the motel room at the time the warrant was served.

The Beaverton Police Department and the Washington County Sheriff's Office are currently trying to identify the owners of the recovered items.

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